

The State of Utah

Department of **Natural Resources** 

Division of Oil, Gas & Mining

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# **Inspection Report**

Permit Number:	C0070041
Inspection Type:	COURTESY
Inspection Date:	Wednesday, April 06, 2011
Start Date/Time:	4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM
End Date/Time:	4/6/2011 3:30:00 PM
Last Inspection:	Friday, March 18, 2011

Inspector: Priscilla Burton, Weather: overcast, 50 F.

InspectionID Report Number: 2706

Reprocessing

**Date** 

Accepted by: jhelfric 4/12/2011

Permitee: WEST RIDGE RESOURCES

Operator: WEST RIDGE RESOURCES

Site: WEST RIDGE MINE

Address: PO BOX 910, EAST CARBON UT 84520-0910

County: CARBON

Permit Type: PERMANENT COAL PROGRAM

Permit Status: ACTIVE

## **Current Acreages**

<b>Total Permitted</b>	7,316.62
<b>Total Disturbed</b>	30.97
Phase I	
Phase II	
Phase III	

<b>Mineral Ownersh</b>	ip T	ypes of (	Operations
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<b>✓</b> Federal	✓ Underground
✓ State	Surface
County	Loadout
Fee	Processing
Other	Reprocessing

Report summary and status for pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Division Orders, and amendments:

Inspector's Signature

Inspector ID Number: 37

Priscilla Burton.

Note: This inspection report does not constitute an affidavit of compliance with the regulatory program of the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining.

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#### REVIEW OF PERMIT, PERFORMANCE STANDARDS PERMIT CONDITION REQUIREMENTS

- 1. Substantiate the elements on this inspection by checking the appropriate performance standard.
  - a. For COMPLETE inspections provide narrative justification for any elements not fully inspected unless element is not appropriate to the site, in which case check Not Applicable.
  - b. For PARTIAL inspections check only the elements evaluated.
- 2. Document any noncompliance situation by reference the NOV issued at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
- 3. Reference any narratives written in conjunction with this inspection at the appropriate performace standard listed below.
- 4. Provide a brief status report for all pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Divison Orders, and amendments.

		Evaluated	Not Applicable	Comment	Enforcement
1.	Permits, Change, Transfer, Renewal, Sale	<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>	
2.	Signs and Markers				
3.	Topsoil	<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>	
4.a	Hydrologic Balance: Diversions				
4.b	Hydrologic Balance: Sediment Ponds and Impoundments				
4.c	Hydrologic Balance: Other Sediment Control Measures				
4.d	Hydrologic Balance: Water Monitoring				
4.e	Hydrologic Balance: Effluent Limitations				
<u> </u>	Explosives				
6.	Disposal of Excess Spoil, Fills, Benches				
7.	Coal Mine Waste, Refuse Piles, Impoundments				
8.	Noncoal Waste				
9.	Protection of Fish, Wildlife and Related Environmental Issues				
10.	Slides and Other Damage				
11.	Contemporaneous Reclamation				
12.	Backfilling And Grading				
13.	Revegetation				
14.	Subsidence Control				
15.	Cessation of Operations				
16.8	a Roads: Construction, Maintenance, Surfacing				
16.	o Roads: Drainage Controls				
17.	Other Transportation Facilities				
18.	Support Facilities, Utility Installations				
19.	AVS Check				
20.	Air Quality Permit				
21.	Bonding and Insurance				
22	Other				

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## 1. Permits, Change, Transfer, Renewal, Sale

The proposed site is located upstream of the gate across the road on SITLA owned surface and about 200 ft. downstream from the existing Bear Canyon GVH site. The general location is in SW1/4 SW1/4 SE1/4 of Sec 3, T. 14 S., R. 13 E. An amendment for this degas pad is forthcoming.

### 3. Topsoil

The proposed degas well location is on the north bank of the right fork of the Bear Canyon emphemeral channel, immediately adjacent to the improved, dirt road. The area of disturbance is approximately 70 ft. x 15 ft. or 0.02 acre. Large boulders form the steep streambank and hold the soil. Large shrubs and a tree also hold the bank. Soil salvage would destroy the integrity of the streambank and destroy the vegetation. We discussed using a permeable, geotextile fabric to protect the topsoil from the fill that would be imported to create the drill pad. This approach would protect the existing vegetaion, the soils, and the bank stability.

Soils are similar to those surveyed and described in MRP App. 2-10. The existing Bear Canyon topsoil stockpile survey indicates that 19,000 cu yds were salvaged from the Bear Canyon pad. The As built report will accompany the amendment for this adjacent drilling location.